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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Masahiro MORISHITA et al  
Serial No. : 09/824,281  
Filed : April 2, 2001  
For : METHOD OF MANUFACTURING  
GLASS PARTS FOR CONNECTING  
OPTICAL FIBERS AND GLASS  
PARTS FOR CONNECTING OPTICAL  
FIBERS MANUFACTURED USING  
THE METHOD

Art Unit : 1731

Examiner :

**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

S I R :

This supplements the Preliminary Amendment filed  
concurrently with the above-identified application on April 2,  
2001.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please substitute amended claim 8, as follows:

8. (Amended) A glass part for connecting optical fibers  
manufactured using the method claimed in claim 3, wherein said  
glass part has open ends, and wherein at least one of the open

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